

Surface water sampling:

- EPA collected surface water samples on 10 August 2015 at nine locations in New Mexico along the Animas River and San Juan River.
- Basic water chemistry parameters were recorded including the surface water pH.
- The surface water pH on 9 August 2015 ranged from 7.47 to 8.55.
- The State of New Mexico has specified pH range of 6.6 to 9.0 for the Animas River and San Juan River as part of their state water quality standards.
- All the sample locations on 10 August 2015 had pH levels within the pH range specified by the State of New Mexico.